	January	February	March	April	May	June
	Present individual workstream summaries and timelines; simplification, flexibility, sequencings	Finalize consolidated timeline	Begin Drafting New Standards Begin drafting implementation recommendations	Begin gathering stakeholder input; online, panels	Refine work items	Finalize interim report to key stakeholders; GA, State Board, community at large.
ASRC Data Presentations	•	 Dr. Koschnick – Developmental Specialist Dir Rebecca Blessing – State of Kentucky Dr. Oxendine – Testing and Accountability 	 Dr. Milgram – Input to math standards Dr. Stotsky – Input to ELA standards TBD – State of Massachusetts TBD – Finland 	 Presentation of current benchmarks Parent Input Teacher Input Business Input State of TBD Input 	Update – Testing and Accountability Stakeholder feedback	Readouts from ELA and Math streams Readouts from Advisory Boards Present results of write-in feedback
ELA	•	Construct and solicit participation in ELA advisory committee	 Investigate post-secondary remediation Work on new k-3 recommendations Launch ELA advisory committee 	Work on new 4-8 recommendations Engage appropriate expertise as required	Work on new 9-12 recommendations Engage appropriate expertise as required	Finalize and gain consensus on new ELA standards recommendation
Mathematics	•	Construct and solicit participation in Math advisory committee	 Investigate post-secondary remediation Work on new k-3 recommendations Launch math Advisory committee 	Work on new 4-8 recommendations Engage appropriate expertise as required	Work on new 9-12 recommendations Engage appropriate expertise as required	Finalize and gain consensus on new math standards recommendation
Stakeholders	•	•	 Launch Parent Advisory Board Launch Teacher Advisory Board 	Launch online feedback mechanism	Continue to collect stakeholder feedback	Readouts from Advisory Boards Close out this round of stakeholder feedback

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Key Questions and tasks to be engaged by the ELA and Math workgroups:

- Choose the preferred baseline for each standard. This would be the standard that any edits or changes should be built upon.
- To accomplish a reduction in standards to enable further simplification, investigate and determine which standards should be removed from the core standards.
- If it is determined that we should start with a core set of standards and then introduce others over time, choose how the introduction should be staged...what's essential on day one and what should come next.
- Identify the specific standards that require re-sequencing...should be shifted to another grade level.
- Review each of the standards to ensure that they enable flexibility in implementation while maintaining its intended rigor.
- Review each standard to ensure that it does not prescribe any teaching methods or approaches. Curriculum related actions should be left to the teacher and LEA.
- Review the standards to ensure testing alignment. With an objective of minimizing standardized and high stakes testing, please assess and recommend when and how the standard might be evaluated.
- Review each standard for clarity (here, we need to agree on a common view of what constitutes "clarity".)

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